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MEMORANDUM

TO: Presidents, Eligible Postsecondary Institutions

FROM: Monica Hayes

DATE: March 29, 2005

SUBJECT: 2005-06 College Reach-Out Program

The Florida Department of Education's goals of improving student rates of learning, increasing the quantity and quality of educational outcomes and coordinating efforts to improve student learning, are top priorities for the K-20 Office of Equity and Access. So I am pleased to write to you regarding the application for funding through the 2005-05 College Reach-Out Program. The College Reach-Out Program has constituted a major effort in motivating and preparing low-income, educationally disadvantaged students in grades 6 through 12 to pursue and successfully complete a postsecondary education.

The 2005-06 College Reach-Out Program year begins September 1, 2005 and concludes August 31, 2006. Section 1007.34, Florida Statutes, provides that eligible institutions apply for funding to the Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Grants Management. All applications will be reviewed by the College Reach-Out Program Advisory Council. The Advisory Council will make funding recommendations for the final action by the State Board of Education. The enclosed Request for Proposal outlines the application requirements and the criteria to be used in selecting proposals. **Funding is contingent upon funds being received by the Department of Education.**

Please forward these materials to the appropriate official at your institution. **Your proposal must be received in the Bureau of Grants Management, Unit B, 325 Turlington Building, by close of business, Wednesday, May 11, 2005.** Should you have any questions or need additional information, please call the Office of Equity and Access at (850) 245-0511. Best wishes for a successful proposal.

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Enclosures

cc: Members, College Reach-Out Program Advisory Council
Project Directors, 2004-05 College Reach-Out Program

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